PROCLAMATION

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Covernor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

June 19, 1983

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14 of the Constitution of Texas, I hereby veto House Bill 36 because of the following objection:

This bill, the Uniform Statutory Court Act, changes the law governing many statutory county courts. The primary purpose of the Act was to revise the jurisdiction in county courts at law to alleviate the docket overload in district courts and to bring jurisdictional uniformity across the state. This concept was originally supported by the judiciary. However, this bill as amended, no longer enjoys that unified support. The bill contains technical errors and provisions that are subject to different interpretations concerning judges' salaries and the jurisdiction of the circuit courts.

Legislation that would make the law relating to the statutory county courts more uniform and less confusing would be helpful to the entire state and to the courts of the state. The Legislature should, in the future, utilize its interim resources to respond to this concern and remedy the existing confusing and varying laws relating to statutory county courts. Unfortunately, House Bill 36 does not adequately address these problems.

Therefore, I veto HB 36.

Respectfully,

Mark White Governor of Texas

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